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POSTAGE—All persons who mail the Sunday issue of The Dispatch to friends should bear in mind the fact that the paper is sent by mail.

FACTS ABOUT THE CENSUS. Robert P. Porter, Superintendent of the Census, has earned a holiday, and THE DISPATCH trusts that his trip to Europe will be a most profitable one.

A THREEDAY HUNTING. The statement in yesterday's dispatches of the abandonment of that fifty-million-dollar gas improvement corporation, which had reached the stage of getting a New Jersey charter, has been a source of interest.

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EXPRESS YOUR OPINION

On Topics of Interest to Pittsburgh by Voting at Dispatch Headquarters on its Fifth Week. The topical voting inaugurated by THE DISPATCH has touched a popular chord, and visitors have been enabled to express their views on important matters through its columns.

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MURRAY'S MUSINGS

Reasons for the Expectation That New York's New Census Will Show Up Paper. —What the Newspapers Did-Do After Three-Cost Piece-Tailors' Art.

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CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS

Two Chinamen robbed a bank at Dallas, Ore., of \$100,000. —An Iowa, Mich., man has raised a cabbage that weighed 305 pounds.

A Turk in costume is the leader of the Salvation Army meetings in North Lansing, Mich. —Eighteen and one-half tons of celery were shipped from Kalamazoo in one day recently.

A new restaurant in Paris has colored men waiters. West Indians and others, stranded after the Exposition, are invited to go to the World's Fair by doing all the darning in the neighborhood.

—Homer, Mich., has a military company composed exclusively of ladies. Uniforms are being made for them. —While walking along a street in Detroit a man caught up behind a lady and snipped off her luxuriant braid with a sharp knife.

—The Churfürstlich-provinzialen Herzoglich-Berghischen Provinzial Zeitung is the name of a German publication. Hard on newspapers. —An Oswego young lady made 700 words of the letters contained in "conservatory" while her mother wrestled with the word's washing.

—A woman, residing in a small town in Michigan, is said to have been out of her house but seldom for 20 years, and to never have seen a railroad train. —A Bangor, Me., policeman was riding in a carriage the other day when a highwayman essayed to "hold him up." The officer leaped out, and, after a tussle, overcame the criminal and took him to the station.

—The free bill is over in Columbus, Ind. The colored people out there have taken their children from the white schools and in doing so have established a separate building and teachers of their own. —The Methodist ladies of Salina, Kan., pledged themselves to raise \$1 each for church purposes. Among them was a woman 75 years of age, who gave a dollar by making eight baby dresses by hand.

—There has been inaugurated in Paris a novel development of the automatic fountain invention. It is for the supply of hot water. A bath is taken, the rooming one of the features of out-of-door Paris. —Some dudes, who were annoying a Chinaman at Sedalia, Mo., where astonished when he was asked one of their bicycles and rode away, his bicycle, straight out behind him, as if Old Nick were driving.

—The Penobscot river, the largest in Maine, drains 7,600 square miles, a region as large as the State of Massachusetts. From Old Town to Bangor, a distance of 12 miles, the river has more than 90 feet vertical fall, the finest water powers in the world. —James Trefethen, a Kennebunkport, Me., farmer 70 years of age, until last week had never been on a railroad train. He never boarded a horsecar, and was totally ignorant of electric lights and telephones. Nearly all his life he has been a farmer, and has been straight out behind him, as if Old Nick were driving.

—The police at Chillicothe, Mo., are in hot water. An enterprising advertising firm distributed a wagon load of whistles to the children of the town, and the noise they make is identical with that of the police whistle. The result is that the kids have the police on their heels.

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